

## City Sidewalk & Driveway

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**The following information is provided for single family dwelling sidewalks and driveways constructed or re-constructed within the public right-of-way.**

1. A permit is required for the removal, construction or reconstruction of a sidewalk and/or driveway within the public right-of-way.
2. Inspections shall be called for at (515) 963-3533 once the forms are set and at least one day prior to concrete placement.
3. Sidewalks are required along public streets. Place edge of sidewalk one (1) foot outside of property line within right-of-way or as directed by the City.
4. Construct all sidewalks of minimum five (5) feet wide (unless directed otherwise by the City) of Portland cement concrete; sidewalks shall be a minimum of four (4) inches in thickness except through driveways where they shall be a minimum of six (6) inches in thickness.
  - a. Oversized sidewalks eight (8) feet in width shall be a minimum of five (5) inches thick.
5. Establish sidewalk elevation(s) at ½" inch per foot above the top of adjacent curb elevation or as directed by the City. Maximum grade of 1:20 or as directed by the City. Maximum allowable cross slope is 1:50.
6. Provide ½ inch expansion joint at lot corners, around sidewalk area through driveway. Seal approach joint at curb with bituminous sealer.
7. Handicap ramps shall be provided at street intersections.
8. Promptly finish concrete with a non-skid finish by broom.
9. Provide weakened plane joints four (4) feet on center for four (4) feet wide walks, five (5) feet on center for five (5) feet wide walks and eight (8) feet on center for eight (8) feet wide walks. Edge all sides.
10. Driveway approaches shall be a minimum of six (6) inches in thickness.
11. Typical driveway flares shall be three (3) feet.
12. Maximum driveway width is twenty-four (24) feet at the sidewalk. Driveways leading to the same lot, or serving the same property, shall be at least twenty (20) feet apart.

**Note:** Multi-family, commercial and industrial sidewalks and driveways shall be constructed as per their respective approved site plan.